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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the office letter of August 25, 2004, Applicant responds to the restriction requirement set forth as follows:

Applicant provisionally elects Specie A with traverse. This specie is shown in FIG. 1 and other FIGS.

Claims 1, 3, 8, 14, 18, 19, 21, 27, 28, 29, 33, 37 and 38 read on the elected specie.

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